



BOX PATENT

Attorney Docket No. 24460

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

BECKER et al.

Serial No.: 09/718,425

Art Unit: 1634

Filed: November 24, 2000

Examiner: TAYLOR, JANELL E.

For: **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PREDICTING AMINO ACID SEQUENCES
COMPATIBLE WITH A SPECIFIED THREE DIMENSIONAL STRUCTURE**

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action dated August 9, 2002 which has a three (3)-month period for response. A response was due to be filed by November 9, 2002. Accordingly, a Petition for a Two (2)-month Extension of Time is enclosed, extending the deadline for filing a Response to January 9, 2003. Thus, this Response is timely filed within the time period set by the Examiner.

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 1 and add new claim 23 as indicated in Appendices A and B submitted herewith. Appendix A is a marked-up copy of the claims and Appendix B is a clean copy of the claims.